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Case Docket No.: CAN-117

In re application of C. Lariviere et al.

Serial No. 09/375,045

Filed: August 16, 1999

For: COMPRESSION-RESISTANT SANITARY NAPKIN

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

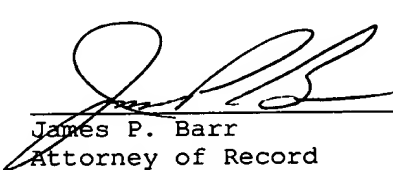
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RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated November 7, 2000 which issued in connection with the above identified patent application.

REMARKS

Claims 1-22 are pending in the application, claims 1-22 stand rejected. Claims 1-22 are now pending in the case.

Claims 1, 3-12 and 14-22 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Buell (U.S. 5,197,959). Applicants respectfully traverse.

Buell teaches a sanitary napkin having a flexure resistant deformation element. The deformation element is disclosed as having several embodiments, in a preferred embodiment it has means for inducing the body facing surface of the napkin into a convex upward configuration, in an

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